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CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY

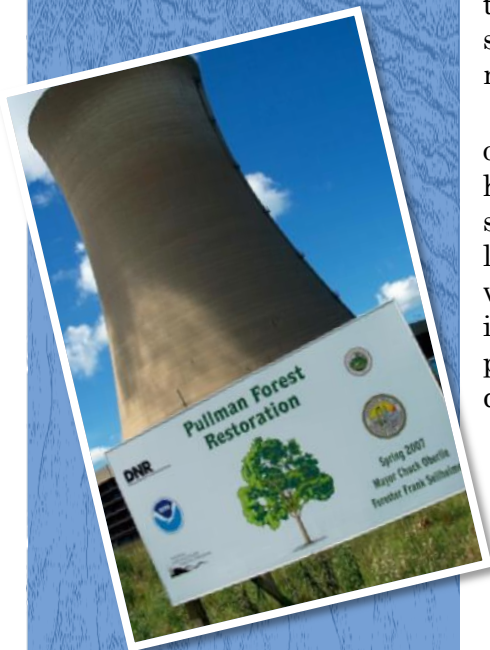
YEAR
2006

COUNTY
LA PORTE

CATEGORY
LOW COST CONSTRUCTION

GRANT AWARD
\$14,802

LOCAL SHARE
\$16,696



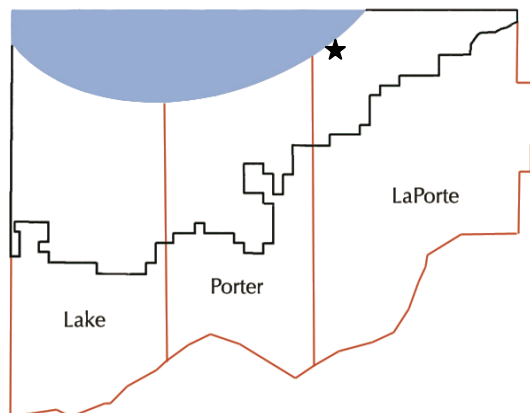
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Pullman Forest Restoration

With increasing development in Northwest Indiana, finding urban woodlands can be a difficult task. Realizing the potential of a 2-acre site near the NIPSCO water cooling tower on Rt. 12, the City of Michigan City and LaPorte County joined forces to preserve this parcel for woodland restoration. Once a junkyard, the site is now thriving with white pine, red oak, and red maple trees. The large tree species for this project included 70 white pine, 42 red oak, and 28 red maple, each 2-inches in diameter.

In addition, large tree species were planted by hand as 1-2 year old seedlings and included 1,000 pignut hickory, 3,226 shagbark hickory, and 1,000 American beech. Shrubs and vines were planted by seed and included witch-hazel, dwarf bush-honeysuckle, mountain-laurel, and Virginia creeper. Prior to planting the trees, native grasses were planted in late April early May 2006. As urban areas become increasingly denser, urban woodlands such as Pullman Forest will play a crucial role in striking a necessary balance between development and conservation.



RESULT: Planted 140 trees in addition to native grasses on a 2 acre urban site.